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SUBJECT: Pacific Military Intelligence Research Section

TO: Chief of Ordnance

1. The exploitation of captured Japanese documents by the Military Intelligence Service requires technical assistance in order to obtain the maximum results. At a meeting, 24 November 1944, of Pacific Military Intelligence Research Section personnel and representatives of the Intelligence Branch of your Service, the latter agreed that the value of this activity to each technical service was unquestioned.

2. The technical assistance required is two-fold. The initial screening of documents must be guided by technically qualified personnel so as to preclude the translation of worthless documents. The translation of the documents must also be guided by technically qualified personnel so as to preclude literal translations which would be meaningless in most cases to the using agencies.

3. It is estimated that the full time of one (1) technical qualified commissioned officer will be required since this activity is located at Camp Ritchie and it is now in full operation. It is understood that the full time assignment to this activity would be such as to permit the assigned officer to maintain constant contact with his Service.

4. Military Personnel Division, A.S.F., advises that authorization for this activity will be made in the usual manner upon receipt of request from your Service. It is directed that such request be made immediately and this office advised the name of the officer when so assigned.

By command of Lieutenant General SOMERVELL:

J. M. ROAMER,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Director of Intelligence.

Information Copy for Col. Lovell

NOTE: Same letter to all Technical Services

Pacific MIRS Special Report No. 1.

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1. Attached hereto is a copy of Special Report No. 1, Proceedings of Conference Japanese Chiefs of Ordnance, 7 December 1944, which was produced by Pacific MIRS. This copy is furnished you for your information.

2. A careful analysis of the translation work and the contents of the publication is now being made, and the results thereof will be communicated to you upon completion of the research.

R. A. OSMUN,
Brigadier General,
Chief, Military Intelligence Service.

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